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SUBJECT: NEW TOURIST ACCOMMODATIONS RESTRICTIONS

1. THE DIRECTOR OF TOURIST BURMA HAS JUST CONFIRMED THAT EFFECTIVE JULY 1 ALL HOTEL AND INTERNAL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TOURISTS MUST BE MADE THROUGH TOURIST BURMA AND MUST BE PAID FOR IN HARD CURRENCY. LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ACCEPT TOURISTS WHO DO NOT HAVE TOURIST BURMA COUPONS. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO INCREASE FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS BY BRINING TO A HALT THE COMMON PRACTICES AMONG THE YOUNG TRAVELERS OF IMPORTING A BOTTLE OF SPIRITS AND A CARTON OF CIGARETTES WHICH ARE EXCHANGED ON THE BLACKMARKET FOR KYAST. IN ADDITION, TOURISTS MAY EMPLOY ONLY TOUR GUIDES REGISTERED WITH TOURIST BURMA.

2. THIS NEW POLICY, WHICH IS BEING USHERED IN VERY QUICKLY (THE DIRECTOR WANTED TO KNOW HOW WE GOT WIND OF IT), IS SURE TO CAUSE CONFUSION AT FIRST AND COULD POSSIBLY RESULT IN SOME ARRESTS ON CURRENCY VIOLATIONS. INFO ADDEES ARE REQUESTED TO BRING THIS INFORMATION TO THE ATTENTION OF TOURISTS PLANNING TO VISIT BURMA.

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